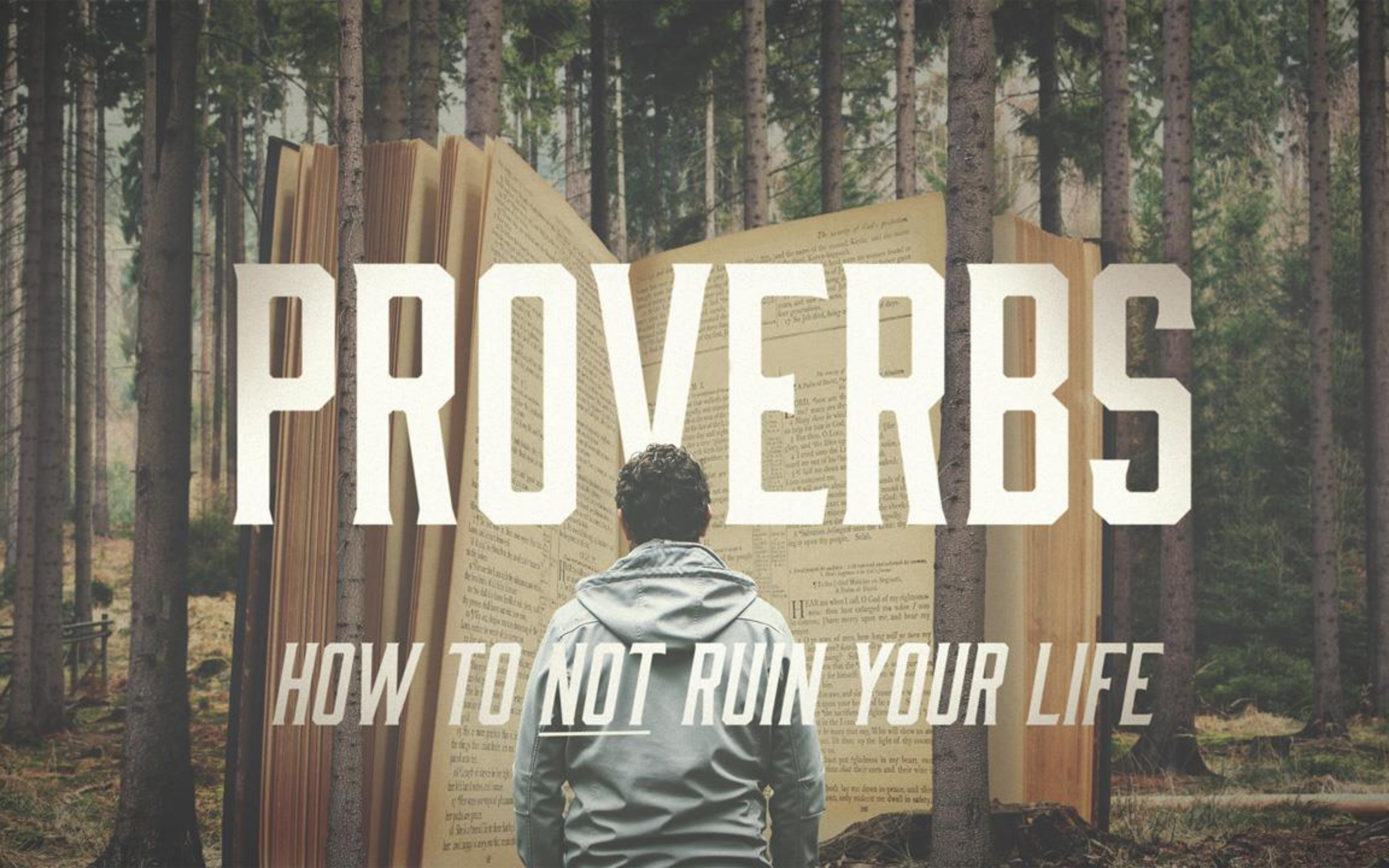
A person wearing a dark, hooded jacket is seen from behind, standing in a dense forest of tall, thin trees. The person is looking towards the right side of the frame. The forest floor is covered with dry leaves and some green moss. The lighting is soft, suggesting an overcast day.

“We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.”

-Declaration of Independence

A person with dark hair, wearing a grey hooded jacket, is seen from behind, looking at a massive, open book that is taller than they are. The book is propped up against a tree in a dense forest of tall, thin trees. The pages of the book are filled with text, and some parts are highlighted in yellow. The scene is bathed in soft, natural light, creating a serene and contemplative atmosphere.

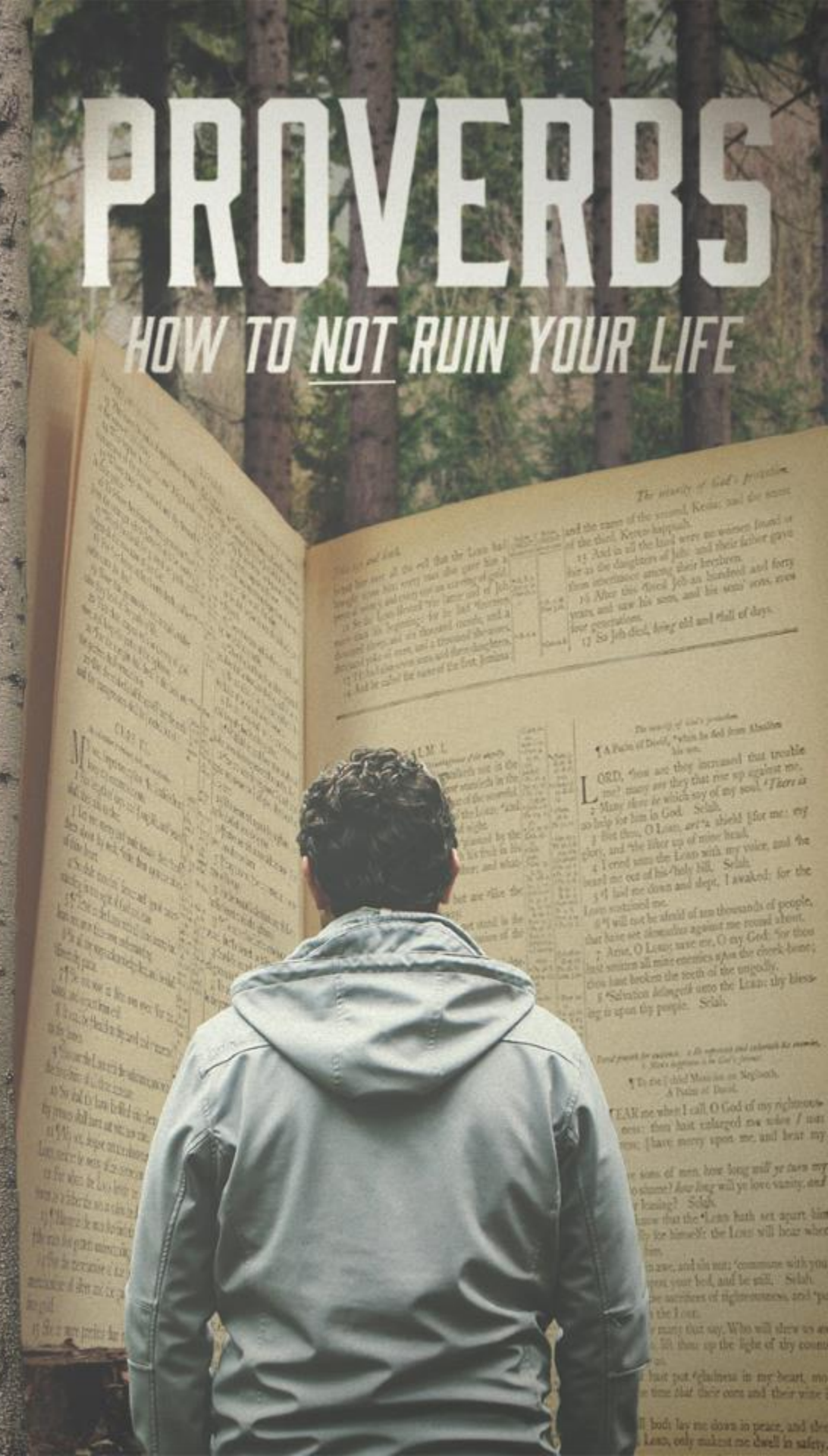
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Good Life: The life lived in harmony with God's Wisdom

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Why Read Proverbs:

1) Its Author- King Solomon

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Why Read Proverbs:

2) Its Purpose- To teach wisdom to all.

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Proverbs 1:2-5

For gaining wisdom and instruction; for understanding words of insight; for receiving instruction in prudent behavior, doing what is right and just and fair; for giving prudence to those who are simple, knowledge and discretion to the young—let the wise listen and add to their learning, and let the discerning get guidance.

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Why Read Proverbs:

3) Its Relevance

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Proverbs 1:7

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction.



Two Ways to Live: The Good Life vs. The Foolish Life

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The Fear of the Lord is the
KEY to the Good Life.

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Proverbs 14:26-27

*In the fear of the Lord one has **strong confidence**, and his children will have a refuge. The fear of the Lord is **a fountain of life**, that one may turn away from the snares of death.*

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Proverbs 19:23

*The fear of
the Lord **leads to life**,
and whoever has it rests
satisfied; he will not be
visited by harm.*



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Proverbs 28:14

Blessed is the one who
fears the Lord always,
but whoever hardens his
heart will fall into
calamity.



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Servile Fear:

*Dreadful anxiety under a
malevolent authority.*



Filial Fear

“A young child has a fear or an anxiety of offending the one he loves, not because he’s afraid of torture or even of punishment, but rather because he’s afraid of displeasing the one who is, in that child’s world, the source of power, security and love.”

-Martin Luther

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Romans 8:15

*For you did not receive
the spirit of bondage
again to **fear**, but you
received the Spirit of
adoption by whom we
cry out, “Abba, **Father**.”*

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Filial Fear of the LORD
comes from increasing
head and heart
comprehension of both
the **bigness** and the
goodness of God.

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Isaiah 40:22

*He sits enthroned above
the circle of the earth, and
its people are like
grasshoppers. He
stretches out the heavens
like a canopy, and
spreads them out like a
tent to live in.*

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Have you taken in the
BIGNESS
of God?

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*“In God you come up against something which is in every respect **immeasurably superior** to yourself. Unless you know God as that- and, therefore, know yourself as nothing in comparison- you do not know God at all. As long as you are proud you cannot know God. A proud man is always looking down on things and people: and, of course, as long as you are looking down, you cannot see something or someone that is above you.”*

-C.S. Lewis, Mere Christianity

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JESUS

is the embodiment of the
Bigness and Goodness of
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THE FEAR OF THE LORD